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The following tabulation of various items of equipment needed for the conversion of boxcars for Soviet troop movements was reported to have been used at the State Planning Commission of the DDR:

Type of Equipment	Amount Used	On Hand	Required Stocks	Shortage
Stoves	39,214	7,765	undetermined	undetermined
Stove pipes	46,794	11,119	14,241	3,122
Pipe elbows	30,620	11,031	17,690	6,609
Coal scuttles	19,248	3,569	undetermined	undetermined
Coal shovels	12,257	14,243	undetermined	undetermined
Fokers	15,062	2,463	undetermined	undetermined
Boards for seats	1,186,836	297,643	407,136	109,480
Door boards	141,340	9,597	14,675	5,070
Door beams	28,203	6,620	undetermined	undetermined
Square timber	200,120	104,785	132,381	27,596
Water buckets	12,000	4,193	7,306	3,183
Bows	6,577	16,668	undetermined	undetermined
Nails	51.2 tons	9.97 tons	20.34 tons	10.87 tons
Candles	451,313	113,304	undetermined	159
Lanterns	29,968	6,726	undetermined	undetermined

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Stove screens	2,799	5,333	7,519	1,186
Pipe hoods	1,611	5,634	7,155	1,521
Window frames	10,249	14,779	undetermined	undetermined
Window glass	16,980	7,723	undetermined	undetermined. *

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[REDACTED] Comment. The items of equipment to be used for converted boxcars were ordered to be on hand by the Soviet Control Commission. [REDACTED] Except for nails and candles, none of the items listed in the tabulation should have been used. The volume of items is excessive. If the use of these items continues at this excessive rate, their replacement is bound to cause great difficulties. Most of the missing items are believed to have been stolen by Soviet soldiers who traveled in the railroad cars concerned. The figures contained in the column Required Stocks were copied from a decree of the Directorate General, Railroads, dated 25 April 1950. [REDACTED]

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